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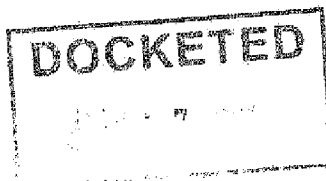
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Assignment

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hereinafter called assignor(s), have invented certain improvements in

Apparatus for Filtering Volume-Reduced Gel-State Polystyrene Resin

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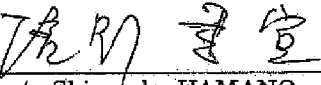
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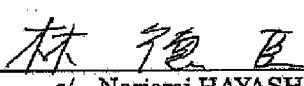
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Apparatus for Filtering Volume-Reduced Gel-State Polystyrene Resin

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